

## Neighborhood Organizing and City-Neighborhood Relationships Deliberation Guide 2

### **Purpose**

Explore how neighborhood-city relationships could best support improving quality of life in Boulder Neighborhoods by tackling our wicked problems through better communication, connection, capacity building, and collaboration

### **Outcomes**

Guidance for how the city of Boulder could support neighborhood organizing and stronger city-neighborhood relationships

### **Process**

Table groups will self-facilitate this deliberative process, providing a chance to practice and implement some of the leadership skills that you just learned. This sheet provides some basic guidance to inform your deliberation about some of the possibilities for City of Boulder Neighborhood Services. This process will have two parts.

(3) Topic: How can neighborhood services best connect neighborhoods with information, resources, and programs from the city while also supporting neighborhood capacity to tackle their own problems?

- (a) Should neighborhoods use the sustainability framework as a basis for neighborhood organizing?
  - What could this look like in your neighborhood?
  - To what extent do your neighborhood needs/hopes align with these categories?
  - Right now many community groups are organized around issues. What would be lost by shifting to neighborhood organizing around these categories?
  - What new possibilities for neighborhoods and neighborhood relationships could be supported by this proposal?
  
- (b) Agenda setting: From the perspective of neighborhoods, what issues and concerns should the neighborhood services be working on?
  - What tools/training do neighborhoods still need?
  - What expectations do neighborhoods have of neighborhood services?

### **(4) Reporting**

As a group identify 3 key takeaways from your discussion that neighborhood services should consider in their ongoing work to develop and coordinate the city's neighborhood programs. These takeaways can be taken from any of the topics. Write each takeaway on one of the post-it notes provided. Post the post-it notes on the wall as your group goes to break. You can also read some of the contributions developed by other groups.